

Tech Sector E-Letter

“ T H E R E A R E N O O R I G I N A L I D E A S I N F O O T B A L L ”

C H I P K E L L Y , F O R M E R C O A C H O R E G O N D U C K S

Now, just wait a minute Chip . . .

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At TechFestNW 2015 the tech team was pleased to attend a talk with the CEO of Virtual Reality company, Headcase VR Studios. Headquartered in Cupertino, CA, with an outpost in Portland, Headcase is pioneering VR content in all industries.

One of the ways Headcase is ahead of the curve, is the area of sports (specifically football) training. Using their unique 360 camera set ups, Headcase is working with mainly college teams to optimize off season training.

With the NCAA rules, a player can only be suited up and actually practicing certain hours during the school year, with the technology content by Headcase, players can virtually practice as much as they want.

Take a look at the [Headcase website](#) to learn more about how they're using this incredible technology both on and off the field.

RBS + TAO

Our RBS Tech-Sector Team along with the Technology Association of Oregon, WorkSystems, Clackamas Workforce Partnership and Workforce Southwest Washington are excited to be moving forward with building the Talent Strategy Plan for our region!

Over the next few months will have a series of meetings for workgroups to meet and engage around a variety of initiatives that will help to meet the demand for tech-sector workers in the Tri-County area. Stay tuned for more information and the final planning "reveal" scheduled to be completed in June, 2017.

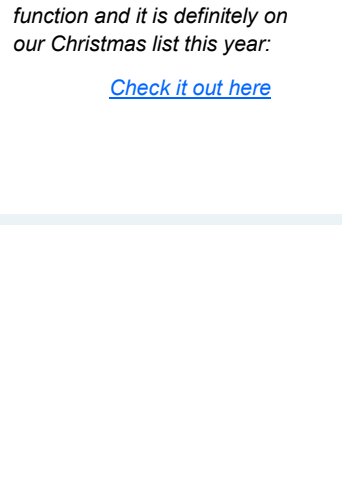


VR vs. AR

What is the difference between VR (Virtual Reality) and AR (Augmented Reality)?

The difference is explained in each name. While VR envelops the user in a 360 degree view (think helmet or wrap around glasses) and creates an entire VIRTUAL reality, AR simply augments, or adds to, an existing reality.

A good example of AR is the smartphone game "Pokemon Go". Only when holding your phone to an existing landscape can you actually "see" the Pokemon.



Ed. Note:

Reader suggestions that your Editors take a "reality check" have been well received. Fortunately for us, we do not have to go far to check reality now. Google's new phone, the "Pixel", comes with a robust VR function and it is definitely on our Christmas list this year:

[Check it out here](#)

The Elusive M.P.C.

("Most Place-able Candidate")

We'd appreciate a notice from you out there in the field office if you come across this awesome-ness:

Currently seeking: **3d Digital Animator** The ideal candidate will possess:

- ◆ Bachelor's degree in Computer Science
- ◆ 5+ years of experience supporting CG animation
- ◆ Strong knowledge of Maya plug-in development
- ◆ Experience working in Linux
- ◆ Skills to find a Snorlax or a Dragonair
- ◆ Knowledge of OptiTrack Motive a plus

Questions, comments or Super Star Candidates? [Click here](#) to email us!